



DBSAE – Capital Asset Management System – Military Equipment

Overview

The Capital Asset Management System- Military Equipment (CAMS-ME) is the information technology system designed to maintain and update military equipment valuation data. The Department of Defense (DoD) is incrementally implementing CAMS-ME as an enterprise-wide information technology (IT) solution to provide the fixed asset accounting functionality necessary to value, capitalize and depreciate military equipment. It is built upon the Commercial-Off-The-Shelf (COTS) SAP R3 ERP software product supports the DoD Enterprise Transition Plan (ETP) and is compatible with the Business Enterprise Architecture (BEA).

CAMS-ME is one the DoD initiatives to support the President's Management Agenda by developing a capability to value and account for military equipment to improve financial management and support management decision making.

Capabilities

CAMS-ME will ultimately enable DoD to account for and report all material costs incurred to acquire and bring each item of military equipment to a form and location suitable for its intended use in accordance with revised federal accounting standards.

CAMS-ME is using a spiral development model consisting of two increments. Increment 1, deployed fourth quarter Fiscal Year 2006, provides a complete capability to value military equipment programs and report these numbers on a quarterly and annual basis. Increment 2, scheduled to go-live in Oct. 2009, will provide more accurate costs and better identification of assets. This is accomplished by incorporating usage-based depreciation, moving from program-based valuations to contract-based valuations, focusing on full cost recognition, and automation via interfaces with the Item Unique Identification (IUID) Registry and Accountability Property Systems of Record.

The long-term solution for military equipment valuation and accountability will be facilitated through integration of the CAMS-ME functionality into the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) systems of each military department.

Benefits

- More consistent determination of acquisition costs
- Comparable information over time and between programs
- Better investment planning for replacement equipment
- The capability to value and account for military equipment to improve financial management and support management decision making.

CAMS-ME is a system under the purview of the Business Transformation Agency's Defense Business Systems Acquisition Executive (DBSAE) directorate. The DBSAE directorate is responsible for driving the successful implementation of DoD systems and initiatives in support of the Department's Business Transformation goals. Its mission is to develop, coordinate, and integrate projects, programs, systems and initiatives providing DoD enterprise-wide business capabilities to better support the warfighter.

Web site Address:

http://www.acq.osd.mil/me/CAMS-ME/CAMS-ME_main.html

Stakeholders Served:

CAMS-ME is used by the DoD Enterprise-wide.

